

I claim:

~~1. A method for creating an image on a display surface of a substrate,~~

said method comprising:

a) applying a first layer of waterfast medium to a surface of an ink-jet transparency sheet having a coating adapted to receive hydrophilic solvent-based ink to create an image on said transparency sheet;

b) at least partially liquifying said image and coating on said ink-jet transparency sheet with a solvent;

c) placing the surface of the ink-jet transparency having the at least partially liquified image and coating in intimate contact with said display surface of said substrate for a time sufficient to transfer a portion of said image and coating from said transparency sheet to said substrate; and

d) peeling away said transparency sheet.

5. The method of claim 4 wherein said step of applying includes printing said first layer of waterfast medium on said transparency sheet with an ink-jet computer printer.

6. The method of claim 5 wherein said first layer of waterfast medium is a waterfast ink.

~~4. The method of claim 2 further including modifying said image by applying a second layer of waterfast medium.~~

8. The method of claim 7 wherein said first layer of waterfast medium is relatively transparent and said second layer is relatively opaque.

~~6. The method of claim 1 including applying a second layer of a medium different from said first layer of waterfast medium.~~

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7. The method of claim ⁹ wherein said second layer of medium is non-
2 waterfast.

~~8. The method of claim 1 including the further step of modifying said
2 image by adding one or more additional layers of medium to said surface of said
transparency sheet prior to said step of partially liquifying.~~

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9. The method of claim ¹¹ wherein said first layer of waterfast medium
2 is relatively transparent, and said display surface of said substrate has markings that
would show through said first layer, further including applying at least a partial
4 additional layer of relatively opaque medium to areas of said image to at least
partially mask said markings of said display surface from showing through said
6 image.

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10. The method of claim ¹¹ further including creating several alternate
2 images on separate transparency sheets in accordance with step (a) and comparing
the appearance of said separate sheets overlaid one at a time on said display
4 surface prior to selecting one of said separate sheets for proceeding with said steps
(b), (c), and (d).

11. The method of claim 8 wherein said alternate images on said
2 separate sheets comprise proofs, and said selecting is performed by a person other
than the person performing the method.

12. The method of claim 11 wherein said person performing said
2 method is engaged in a business of selling articles manufactured by said method,
and said person other than said person performing said method is a buyer of said
4 articles of manufacture.

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13. The method of claim 1 further including the step (e) of modifying
2 said image by applying additional medium to said image after said transparency
sheet is peeled away.

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14. The method of claim 13 wherein said additional medium is
2 different from said first layer of waterfast medium.

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15. The method of claim 14 including the additional step of fabricating
2 said substrate.

16. An article of manufacture manufactured by the method of claim 1.

17. The article of manufacture of claim 16 wherein said article is an art
2 object.

18. The article of manufacture of claim 16 wherein said article includes
2 an image on said display surface at least partially comprised of a photographic print.

19. The article of manufacture of claim 16 wherein said article includes
2 an image on said display surface at least partially comprised of a computer
generated image.

20. A method for creating an image adapted for transfer to a display
surface of a substrate, said method comprising applying a first layer of waterfast
medium to a surface of an ink-jet transparency sheet having a coating adapted to
receive hydrophilic solvent based ink to create an image on said transparency sheet.

21. The method of claim 20 further including the steps of:

2 at least partially liquifying said image and coating on said ink-jet transparency
sheet with a solvent applied to said image and coating on said transparency sheet;
4 placing the surface of the ink-jet transparency having the at least partially
liquified image and coating in intimate contact with said display surface of said
6 substrate for a time sufficient to transfer a portion of said image and coating from
said transparency sheet to said substrate; and
8 peeling away said transparency sheet.

22. The method of claim 20 further including the steps of:

2 wetting the surface of the substrate with a quantity of solvent sufficient to
partially liquify said image and coating;
4 placing the surface of the ink-jet transparency having the image and coating in
intimate contact with said display surface of said substrate for a time sufficient for the
6 quantity of solvent on said substrate to at least partially liquify a portion of the image
and coating and to transfer a portion of said image and coating from said
8 transparency sheet to said substrate; and
peeling away said transparency sheet.

23. ~~The method of claim 20 including modifying said image with
additional media applied to said surface.~~

24. An article of manufacture manufactured by the method of claim 20.

25. A kit containing instructions for the method of claim 20. ✓

26. The kit of claim 24 including a component required for carrying out
2 said instructions selected from the group consisting essentially of said transfer sheet,
and waterfast media.

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